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NOTE FOR: Acting Executive Officer

- 1. In response to your request for a review of current duties and responsibilities towards a goal of eliminating those with low priority or those formally charged to the SSC but which manpower limitations preclude us from discharging, we offer the following:
 - (a) We should drop the responsibility given to the SSC for investigation of COMINT security violations as charged when the SPINT Security Staff was disbanded.
 - (b) We should be officially relieved of the responsibility to conduct investigations in-house of non-codeword leaks or unauthorized disclosures.
 - (c) We should also be relieved officially of the requirement to review manuscripts of former staff employees.
 - (d) We should officially be relieved of the requirement to conduct a formal reindoctrination program for compartmented material as required by DCID 1/14.
 - (e) We should also be officially relieved of the responsibility to do security briefings of compartmented material for CIA staff employees. We are charged with this on the books but CIB does it for us out of kindness.

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2. While there are other items from which we could seek official release, it seems to me that the timing is not appropriate to make a sound issue of any of these. Most of them are being addressed in the Study Group. The format of the new manual which will result from the study will go far in identifying formal responsibilities of the SSC or whatever the SSC's successor group will be called.

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